



# PUBLIC NOTICE

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## **NON STREAMLINED INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED FOR FILING**

### **Section 214 Applications (47 C.F.R. § 63.18); Cable Landing License Applications (47 C.F.R. § 1.767); Authorize Switched Services over Private Lines (47 C.F.R. § 63.16) and Section 310(b)(4)**

Unless otherwise specified, the following procedures apply to the applications listed below:

The applications listed below have been found, upon initial review, to be acceptable for filing. These applications are not subject to the streamlined processing procedures set forth in Section 63.12 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.12. These applications shall not be deemed granted until the Commission affirmatively acts upon the application, either by public notice or by written order. Operation for which authorization is sought may not commence except in accordance with any terms or conditions imposed by the Commission.

Unless otherwise specified, interested parties may file comments with respect to these applications within 28 days of the date of this public notice. We request that such comments refer to the application file number shown below. Ex parte communications between outside parties and Commission staff concerning these applications are permitted subject to the Commission's rules for "permit-but-disclose proceedings." See 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206.

Copies of all applications listed here are available for public inspection in the FCC Office of Public Affairs Reference and Information Center, located in room CY-A257 at the Portals 2 building, 445 12th Street SW, Washington DC 20554. The center can be contacted at (202) 418-0270. All applications listed are subject to further consideration and review, and may be returned and/or dismissed if not found to be in accordance with the Commission's rules, regulations, and other requirements.

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SES Americom, Inc.

#### Petition for Declaratory Ruling

SES AMERICOM, Inc. (SES AMERICOM or "Petitioner") requests a declaratory ruling pursuant to section 310(b)(4) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended ("Communications Act") and the Commission's Foreign Participation Order, 12 FCC Rcd 23891 (1997). Specifically, SES AMERICOM requests a Commission ruling that indirect ownership of SES AMERICOM by non-German, non-U.S. shareholders of Deutsche Telecom ("DT") who are from World Trade Organization ("WTO") Member nations is in the public interest. Furthermore, SES AMERICOM seeks a ruling that it need not count the interests in SES AMERICOM indirectly held by non-German, non-U.S. shareholders of DT who are from WTO Member nations against the 25% unidentified foreign ownership that SES AMERICOM may accept under existing FCC orders.

The Bureau previously issued a section 310(b)(4) ruling to SES AMERICOM in Application of General Electric Capital Corporation, Transferor, and SES GLOBAL, S.A., Transferee, Order and Authorization, 16 FCC Rcd 17575 (Int'l Bur., Wireless Bur. 2001), Supplemental Order, 16 FCC Rcd 18878 (Int'l Bur., Wireless Bur. 2001). In addition, SES AMERICOM filed a Petition for Declaratory Ruling on June 28, 2002, requesting that the Commission find permissible indirect foreign ownership of SES AMERICOM in excess of the 25 percent benchmark of Section 310(b)(4) of the Communications Act. The June 28, 2002 Petition for Declaratory Ruling was placed on public notice on July 12, 2002.

REMINDER:

Applicants must certify that neither the applicant nor any party to the application is subject to a denial of federal benefits by federal and/or state courts under authority granted in 21 U.S.C. § 862. See 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.2001–.2003.

The Commission most recently amended its rules applicable to international telecommunications common carriers in IB Docket No. 98-118, Review of International Common Carrier Regulations, FCC 99-51, released March 23, 1999, 64 Fed. Reg. 19,057 (Apr. 19, 1999). An updated version of Section 63.09-.24 of the rules, and other related sections, is available at <http://www.fcc.gov/ib/td/pf/telecomrules.html>.